

House Resolution No. 4365

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, sixty years ago on October 30, 1947, Ernest John Kunkel took the hand of his beautiful bride, Berniece Stafford Peters, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony in Marceline, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Ernest and Berniece Kunkel have had the pleasure of raising seven children, Joseph Ernest Kunkel, Mary Noel Fuemmeler, Patricia Ann Richey, Holly Beth Stuart, John Alvin Kunkel, Christopher Peter Kunkel, and Mitchell Douglas Kunkel, and the privilege of spoiling seventeen grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Ernest Kunkel has compiled an impressive list of achievement that includes being a Purple Heart recipient of World War II, serving as Circuit Clerk and Ex Officio Recorder of Deeds for Chariton County, and retiring as a part salesman at Jackson Motors following forty-three years of service; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Berniece Kunkel has also enjoyed recognition as a sixty-year member of the St. Joseph Parish Altar Society, where she has distinguished herself by helping with such activities as funeral dinners and parish festivals; and

Whereas, Ernest and Berniece Kunkel have found the road to happiness by putting all of their energy, love, and ambition into their marriage and by knowing that a successful union is built upon such strong qualities as sacrifice, dedication, and honesty; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Kunkel, residents of Salisbury, will commemorate the glorious occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on September 1, 2007, at Emmet's Kitchen and Tap in Fayette:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Ernest and Berniece Kunkel for their tremendous success in achieving sixty years of wedded bliss and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Ernest John Kunkel, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Therese Sander
District No. 22

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4365, adopted August 1, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker